

DETAILED ACTION

Allowable Subject Matter

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance.

Regarding Claim 1, the references of the Prior Art of record fails to teach or suggest the combination of the limitations as set forth in Claim 1, and specifically comprising the limitation of " A method for manufacturing an organic electroluminescent device wherein removing the at least one portion of the second conductive film includes removing at least a portion of the insulating ribs".

Regarding Claims 2-7, 9-13, and 15 they are allowable for the reasons given in Claim 1 because of their dependency status on Claim 1.

Regarding Claim 16, the references of the Prior Art of record fails to teach or suggest the combination of the limitations as set forth in Claim 16, and specifically comprising the limitation of "An organic electro-luminescent device comprising: a plurality of insulating members each comprising a valley and arranged on the lower electrode".

Regarding Claims 17-25 they are allowable for the reasons given in Claim 16 because of their dependency status on Claim 16.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance".

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to DONALD L. RALEIGH whose telephone number is (571)270-3407. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 7:30AM to 5:00PM EST.

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